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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ivo Glynne Gut et al.

Appl. No.: 09/555,866

Group: 1634

Filed: November 21, 2000

Examiner: GOLDBERG, J.A

For: Methods for Identifying Nucleic Acids By
Means of Matrix Assisted Laser
Desorption/Ionisation Mass Spectrometry

ATTENTION: Refund Section
Accounting Division
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REQUEST FOR A REFUND

(Improper Fees Paid - Small Entity Previously Established)

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Director of the U.S. Patent
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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 30, 2006

Sir:

The following documentation and remarks are respectfully
submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

DOCUMENTATION

Attached hereto is:

☐ a copy of written assertion of small entity status
filed on ; and/or

☒ a copy of an executed Statement Claiming Small Entity
Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) and 1.27(d)) - Non-Profit Organization
filed on November 17, 2000.

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REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a), applicants hereby request a refund of 50% of the Extension and Government Fee for Filing of a Notice of Appeal fee paid on March 22, 2006. Small entity status was established prior to payment of this fee by the filing of a written assertion/statement on November 17, 2000.

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(b), any request for a refund which is not based upon subsequent entitlement to small entity status must be filed with a two-year nonextendable time limit.

The Extension and Government Fee for Filing of a Notice of Appeal fee in the amount of \$1520.00 was paid on March 22, 2006. It is respectfully requested that the excess fee of \$760.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

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**STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(d))--NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**Docket No. 0147-0202P

Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: Ivo Glynne GUT et al.
Application No.: 09/556,866
Application Filed: June 6, 2000
International Application No.: PCT/EP98/07911
International Filing Date: December 4, 1998
Title: Method for Identifying Nucleic Acids by Means of Matrix-Assisted Laser
Desorption/Ionisation Mass Spectrometry

I hereby state that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the nonprofit organization identified below:

NAME OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Max-Planck-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der Wissenschaften e.V.
ADDRESS OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Berlin, Germany

TYPE OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION:

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- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
☒ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the nonprofit organization regarding the above identified invention. If the rights held by the nonprofit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities and that no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

- ☐ no such person, concern, or organization exists.
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10435 Berlin, Germany

(small business concern)

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE
PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 22, 2006

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Office Action dated September 23, 2005 of the Primary Examiner twice rejecting claims 1-22 and 24-29.

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The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

- ☒ NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Office Action. Thus a fee of \$1,020.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.
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Office Action was previously requested and paid for on
Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required to obtain an
additional () month(s) for filing the Notice of
Appeal.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of
Appeals is calculated as follows:

☒ Large entity - \$500.00

☐ Small Entity - \$250.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of
Appeal is \$1,520.00.

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Respectfully submitted,

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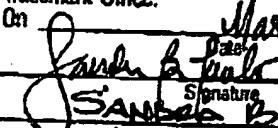
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